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STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ADVISORY COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

MIGDALEA VARGAS 46TA09080600

CONSENT ORDER

Licensed to practice Occupational Therapy in the State of New Jersey

The New Jersey Occupational Therapy Advisory Council ("Council") has reviewed information initially disclosed in the application of Migdalea Vargas ("Ms. Vargas" or "respondent") for a license to practice occupational therapy. That information revealed that, prior to her obtaining a license in August 24, 2011, Ms. Vargas engaged in the practice of occupational therapy in the Livingston school district for several years. Ms. Vargas appeared before the Council at an investigative inquiry on December 1, 2011, with Sheldon Pincus, Esq. She acknowledged that during the period between March 2001 and August 23, 2011, she had worked as an occupational therapist in the Livingston School District.

These facts provide a basis for disciplinary action, pursuant to NJSA 45:1-21(h) as respondent lus engaged in the unlicensed practice of occupational therapy in violation of N.I.S.A. 45:9-37.51 and N.I.A.C. 13:44K-8.3.

It appearing that the respondent desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings and the Council finding entry of the Consent Order to be in the public interest:

ORDERED and AGREED:

Migdalea Vargas shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00, for practicing occupational therapy without a license. The penalty shall be paid within 30 days of the entry of this consent order either bank check or money order made payable to the "State of New Jersey" and submitted to Laura L. Anderson, Executive Director, Occupational Therapy Advisory Council, P.O. Box 45037, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

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I have read and I understand this Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to the entry of this order.

Date

I consent to the form and entry of this

order.

don Pincus Esq.